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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

ELECTROLUMINESCENT...

Sir:

For:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3-17 and 19-24 as follows:

3. (Amended) Device according to one of Claims 1 and 2, wherein the metallic alloy is a steel.

4. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, wherein the substrate (2) is connected to the current source (1, 8).

5. (Amended) Device according to Claim 4, wherein the substrate (2) forms one of the said two electrodes.